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In re Patent Application of:  
Gavril W. Pasternak et al.

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For: IDENTIFICATION AND  
CHARACTERIZATION OF MULTIPLE  
SPLICE VARIANTS OF THE MU OPIOID  
RECEPTOR GENE

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**THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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